

REMARKS

Claims 1-27 are pending in the application. The claims were amended pursuant to Article 34 in the international phase. (See the Annex to the Preliminary Examination Report on Patentability, submitted herewith.) The Article 34 amendments are deemed to be entered and in effect in the US national stage. The claims have been further amended herein to more closely conform with U.S. practice and reduce multiple dependencies. An abstract, substantially identical to the abstract in the international application, has been inserted into the specification.

A Sequence Listing has been inserted into the application in written (on paper) form. A computer readable form is also enclosed herewith. The Sequence Listing submitted on November 11, 2004 in the international phase has been amended to include SEQ ID NO:6, for which support is found in the specification at page 49, line 24. No new matter has been added.

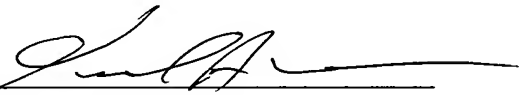
The specification has been amended to insert the SEQ ID NOs corresponding to the sequences set forth in the Sequence Listing filed herewith.

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IN ACCORDANCE WITH 37 C.F.R. §§1.821-1.825

I hereby state that the sequence listing information recorded in computer readable form submitted herewith is identical to the written (on paper) sequence listing submitted herewith. The submission includes no new matter.

Entry of the amendment and an early action on the merits is requested.

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